REMARKS

Status of claims

By way of the instant amendment, claims 2, 4-7, 9 and 11-20 have been canceled. Further, claims 21 and 22 have been added. Thus, claims 1, 3, 8, 10, 21 and 22 remain for examination.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicant has amended the specification to add material following page 27 of the application as filed. This material is being added in as much as page 28 of the application as filed was inadvertently omitted. The subject matter added by way of the instant amendment includes some of the information contained in inadvertently omitted page 28. The subject matter contained in the instant amendment is fully supported by applicant's priority document incorporated in the application as originally filed as stated on page 1, lines 5-10 of the application. Thus, no new matter has been added.

Prior Art Rejections

Claims 1, 2, 6, 8, 9, 13, 19 and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Blakeney in view of Hjern. Claims 3 and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over Blakeney in view of Hjern in view of Williams. Claims 4 and 11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over Blakeney in view of Hjern and further in view of Bamburak. Claims 5 and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over Blakeney in view of Hjern and further in view of Wichman. Finally, claims 7, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as unpatentable over Blakeney in view of Hjern and further in view of Wu.

The examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed.

The electronic apparatus recited in applicant's amended claim 1, for example, serves as a mobile station and is configured to detect a position of the electronic apparatus and a direction of movement of the electronic apparatus and retrieve the optimum base station from

the database of the electronic apparatus. The electronic apparatus works at high speed such that it can perform a high speed roaming process.

It is important to note that not only is the current position of the electronic apparatus determined but also the direction of movement of the electronic apparatus is taken into consideration. Thus, the electronic apparatus can perform a high speed retrieval of the optimum base station targeted for roaming.

None of the references disclosed these above-discussed limitations which are present in each of applicant's independent claims 1 and 8.

Applicant's dependent claims are deemed to be patentable by virtue of their dependency on independent claims 1 and 8.

Conclusions

The application is now believed to be in condition for allowance and an early indication of same is earnestly solicited.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Respectfully submitted,

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